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SUBJECT: SOUTH YEMEN FOREIGN MINISTER VISITS ITALY

REF: ROME 10191

1. RESPONSIBLE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL HAS GIVEN US  
ACCOUNT OF PDRY FOREIGN MINISTER (MUTIE) YAFAI'S SEPTEMBER 24-26  
STOP-OVER IN ROME. ACCORDING SOURCE, YAFAI MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY  
UNDERSECRETARY PEDINI AND OTHER MINISTRY OFFICIALS ON SEPTEMBER 25.

2. OFFICIAL SAID THAT POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS WERE VERY GENERAL IN  
NATURE. ITALIANS EXPRESSED THEIR KEEN INTEREST IN PEACE AND  
STABILITY IN ARABIAN PENINSULA, AND VIEW THAT UNITY OF TWO YEMENS  
WAS MATTER TO BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN PARTIES THEMSELVES. ACCORDING  
SOURCE, YAFAI, WITHOUT MENTIONING ANY NAMES, ACCUSED SAUDIS OF  
IMPEDING UNITY. ITALIANS EMPHASIZED THEIR MUTUAL INTEREST WITH  
SOUTH YEMEN IN REOPENING OF SUEZ CANAL WHICH IN TURN DEPENDED  
ON SOLUTION OF MID EAST CRISIS.

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3. ON ECONOMIC SIDE, ACCORDING SOURCE, YAFAI MADE PITCH FOR

CONCESSIONAL INTEREST RATE ON ITALIAN CREDITS AND ASKED ABOUT  
POSSIBILITY OF GIFT OF WHEAT. ITALIANS WERE NEGATIVE ON BOTH  
REQUESTS. SOUTH YEMENIS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ITALIAN  
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN SANITATION FIELD AND ITALIANS PROMISED  
TO LOOK INTO OTHER AID POSSIBILITIES "WITHIN LIMITS OF THEIR  
CAPABILITIES". SOURCE COMMENTED THAT AID DISCUSSION WAS FROM  
ITALIAN SIDE A SYMPATHETIC LISTENING EXERCISE WITH NO REPEAT  
NO COMMITMENTS. VOLPE

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